

**NOTICE OF PARKS & KEEP SPI BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE MEETING  
CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020**

9:00 AM AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING,  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2ND FLOOR

4601 PADRE BOULEVARD, SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS

THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED AS A VIRTUAL/TELEPHONIC MEETING DUE TO THE  
COVID-19 HEALTH EMERGENCY AS AUTHORIZED BY V.T.C.A.551.121-126, TEXAS  
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THE COMMITTEE CHAIR, CO-CHAIR, OR COMMITTEE MEMBERS MAY NOT BE PHYSICALLY  
PRESENT AT ONE LOCATION BUT A QUORUM WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THE MEETING TO  
PROCEED VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE OR AUDIO CONFERENCE. A RECORDING OF THE  
MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE AND BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC.

1.Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

2.Public Comments and Announcements

*This is an opportunity for citizens to speak to Committee relating to agenda or non-agenda items. Speakers are required to address Committee at the podium and give their name before addressing their concerns. [Note: State law will not permit the Parks & Keep SPI Beautiful Committee to discuss debate or consider items that are not on the agenda. Citizen Comments may be referred to City Staff or may be placed on the agenda of a future Parks & Keep SPI Beautiful Committee meeting]*

3.Regular Agenda

- 3.1. Approval of July 15, 2020 regular meeting minutes. (Huffman)
- 3.2. Update and discussion regarding city parks maintenance. (Wilson)
- 3.3. Update and discussion on Phase II of John L. Tompkins Park. (Huffman)

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- 3.4. Update of the 2020 Governor's Community Achievement Award. (Baldovinos)
- 3.5. Discussion and possible action to implement the yard of the quarter program. (Tallard)
- 3.6. Discussion and possible action to implement a community volunteer awards program. (Bainter)
- 3.7. Discussion and possible action for native tree plantings at Turtle park. (Gonzalez)

4. Adjourn

NOTE:

*One or more members of the City of South Padre Island City Council may attend this meeting; if so, this statement satisfies the requirements of the OPEN MEETINGS ACT.*

DATED AUGUST 14, 2020

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Angelique Soto, City Secretary

I, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE PARKS & KEEP SPI BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF SAID NOTICE AND THAT I POSTED A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF SAID NOTICE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT CITY HALL/MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON **AUGUST 14, 2020**, AT/OR BEFORE 9:00 AM AND REMAINED SO POSTED CONTINUOUSLY FOR AT LEAST 72 HOURS PRECEDING THE SCHEDULED TIME OF SAID MEETING.

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Angelique Soto, City Secretary

THIS FACILITY IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE, AND ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS OR INTERPRETIVE SERVICES MUST BE MADE 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING. PLEASE CONTACT BUILDING OFFICIAL, BELINDA TARVER AT (956)761-8103.

**CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND  
PARKS & KEEP SPI BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE  
AGENDA REQUEST FORM**

**MEETING DATE:** August 19, 2020

**NAME & TITLE:** Debbie Huffman

**DEPARTMENT:** Planning/Parks & Rec. Department

**ITEM**

Approval of July 15, 2020 regular meeting minutes. (Huffman)

**ITEM BACKGROUND**

N/A

**BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

N/A

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL**

N/A

**LEGAL REVIEW**

Sent to Legal: No

Approved by Legal: No

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS:**

**MINUTES  
CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND  
PARKS & KEEP SPI BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2020**

**1. Call to order.**

The Parks & Keep SPI Beautiful Committee Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a regular meeting on Wednesday, July 17, 2020 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Chairman Tonya Tallard called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum was present: Committee members Thomas Bainter, Carol Bolstad, Javier Gonzalez. Committee members Jeff Hoxtell and Ivy Easterly were absent.

City staff members present: Parks and Recreation Manager, Debbie Huffman, Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson, City Manager Randy Smith, and Administrative Assistant, Angie Cantu.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance.**

**3. Public Comments and Announcements.**

Public comments were given at this time.

**4. Regular Agenda**

**4.1 Approval of May 20, 2020 and July 9, 2020 special meeting minutes.**

Committee Member Thomas Bainter made a motion to approve seconded By Committee Member Javier Gonzalez. Motion carried unanimously.

**4.2. Discussion and possible action regarding Keep Texas Beautiful Programs.**

- 1.) Great American Cleanup (GAC) starting June 1 and run through October 18.**
- 2.) Adopt-a-beach Fall cleanup set for September 12<sup>th</sup>.**
- 3.) Monthly city beach clean-ups.**

The committee discussed the Keep Texas Beautiful programs. The committee will participate in the adopt-a-beach on September the 12<sup>th</sup> and discussed starting monthly beach clean-ups on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month. No action was taken.

**4.3 Update and discussion regarding City parks maintenance.**

Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson gave an update regarding maintenance in the City parks.

**4.4 Update and discussion regarding John L. Tompkins Park Phase II.**

Parks and Recreation Manager Debbie Huffman gave an update on the John L Tompkins Park Phase II progress.

**4.5 Discussion and possible action regarding the Community Garden Pilot Program.**

Parks Manager Debbie Huffman gave an update on the program. The gardeners were assigned boxes for August 2020 thru January 2021. Box #1 Amy Omar, Box #2 Cindy Etter, Box #3 Tony Barriteau and Box #4 Madlen Siegert.

**4.6 Discussion and possible action to restart the yard of the month program.**

The parks committee discussed bringing back the program on a quarterly basis. No action was taken.

**4.7 Discussion and possible action to recommend names for the community volunteer awards program.**

Committee member Bainter discussed having an award program to recognize volunteers. No action was taken.

**4.8 Discussion for the committee to develop a program for a Styrofoam free SPI.**

The parks committee discussed starting a program to educate citizens and visitors about Styrofoam on the beach.

**5. Adjournment.**

There being no further business, Chairman Tallard adjourned the meeting at 10:02 am.

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Tonya Tallard, Chairman

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Debbie Huffman, Parks Manager

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**NAME & TITLE:** Debbie Huffman

**DEPARTMENT:** Planning/Parks & Rec. Department

**ITEM**

Update and discussion regarding city parks maintenance. (Wilson)

**ITEM BACKGROUND**

On going maintenance update of all city parks

**BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

Park Maintenance 09-572-0433

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL**

Chapter III. Policy 2.1.2: The City's beaches, beach access points, parks, playgrounds, waterfront promenades, boat ramps, shaded areas, restrooms, and other recreation amenities shall be placed and maintained in an appropriate manner and conveniently accessible for residents and visitors.

Strategy 2.1.2.2: Sustainable maintenance plan for parks and beaches shall be developed, and scheduled for cleanliness and adequate facilities operations.

**LEGAL REVIEW**

Sent to Legal: No

Approved by Legal: No

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS:**

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**DEPARTMENT:** Planning/Parks & Rec. Department

**ITEM**

Update and discussion on Phase II of John L. Tompkins Park. (Huffman)

**ITEM BACKGROUND**

Update on the progress of Phase II of John L Tompkins park.

**BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

\$ 500,000 grant from Texas Parks and Wildlife

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL**

Objective 2.2: The City should provide parks to meet the needs and desires of residents

**LEGAL REVIEW**

Sent to Legal: No

Approved by Legal: No

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS:**









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**MEETING DATE:** August 19, 2020

**NAME & TITLE:** Debbie Huffman

**DEPARTMENT:** Planning/Parks & Rec. Department

**ITEM**

Update of the 2020 Governor's Community Achievement Award. (Baldovinos)

**ITEM BACKGROUND**

Keep Texas Beautiful awarded the City of South Padre Island with the Governors Community Achievement Award

**BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

N/A

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL**

N/A

**LEGAL REVIEW**

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Approved by Legal: No

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS:**

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**ITEM**

Discussion and possible action to implement the yard of the quarter program. (Tallard)

**ITEM BACKGROUND**

The committee would like to restart the yard of the month program. It was discussed at the July 15, 2020 meeting to bring back the program on a quarterly basis.

**BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

Sign cost can be absorbed from community events budget 2019/2020.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL**

Chapter III. GOAL 1: The City shall ensure the protection and conservation of natural resources such as beaches, dunes, and wetlands, Laguna Madre waterfront, and native flora and fauna, allowing for their sustainable use for, and enjoyment by, future generations.

**LEGAL REVIEW**

Sent to Legal: No

Approved by Legal: No

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS:**

# YARD AND LANDSCAPING AWARD PROGRAM

*Let's keep SPI beautiful!*

The Parks and Keep SPI Beautiful Committee would like to recognize a business or residence that takes pride in their yards and/or landscaping.

Show someone that you have noticed their hard work and nominate a yard today!

This is a quarterly award  
(September, December, March, June)

*submit your nominations to [dhuffman@myspi.org](mailto:dhuffman@myspi.org)*



# BEST LANDSCAPE QUARTERLY AWARD



# BEST YARD QUARTERLY AWARD



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**NAME & TITLE:** Debbie Huffman

**DEPARTMENT:** Planning/Parks & Rec. Department

**ITEM**

Discussion and possible action to implement a community volunteer awards program. (Bainter)

**ITEM BACKGROUND**

The committee would like to recognize volunteers for their hard work and dedication to making the island an better place to live and work.

**BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

No cost involved at this time.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL**

Chapter VI Strategy 2.1.4.6: The City should establish a local volunteer program through which local business professionals and/or retired entrepreneurs can assist with the Island's marketing efforts.

**LEGAL REVIEW**

Sent to Legal: No

Approved by Legal: No

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS:**



# DO YOU KNOW A SPECIAL VOLUNTEER?



*The Parks and keep SPI beautiful committee would like to recognize a special person or group that has done a great job at making SPI beautiful!*

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RAISE AWARENESS  
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PRESERVE THE ENVIRONMENT  
KEEP ACTIVE**

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# REASONS TO VOLUNTEER

**01**

Do your part

**02**

Be a positive  
influence

**03**

Raise  
awareness

**04**

Keep active

**05**

Preserve the  
environment



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**ITEM**

Discussion and possible action for native tree plantings at Turtle park. (Gonzalez)

**ITEM BACKGROUND**

Arbor day event was canceled due to COVID-19. The committee would like to utilize the \$750.00 to plant some native trees at city Parks.

**BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

\$750.00 budgeted for Arbor day planting line 09-572-0433

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL**

Chapter III. Parks & Resources. Strategy 1.3.1.3: The City should require that a certain percentage of landscaping and buffer yard plant materials be of a native species.

**LEGAL REVIEW**

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Approved by Legal: No

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS:**